GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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PREPARATIONS FOR COMMONWEALTH GAMES
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the preparations made so far to maintain law and order during the 2010 Commonwealth Games;

(b) whether all the Metro projects are likely to be operationalised to facilitate transportation in Delhi by the year 2010; (

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government proposes to provide special training to the Taxi and Auto Rickshaw drivers of Delhi so that they are able to establish better communication with the foreign guests;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(g) the details of lodging, boarding, transportation and catering facilities likely to be provided to the tourist during the events?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF PANCHAYATI RAJ, YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EAST REGION (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) The Government has constituted a Commonwealth Games Security Review Committee in the Ministry of Home Affairs for formulating security schemes, and arrangements for the proposed Commonwealth Games, 2010. The Committee has already held a number of meetings with all the organizations concerned.

At the level of the Government of NCT of Delhi, the Lt. Governor would have overall responsibility regarding security and law and order.

(b) & (c): All the Metro corridors approved in Phase-II of expansion of Delhi Metro are planned for completion before the Commonwealth Games in 2010.

(d) to (f): Yes, Sir. The Government of NCT of Delhi through its Transport and Tourism Department, in consultation with the Delhi Transport and Tourism Development Corporation, will take action in this regard at the appropriate time.

(g) Various sites for hotels in and around Delhi in the National Capital Region have been identified by the agencies concerned for the development of additional tourist and hotel accommodation. These arrangements will be supplemented by the Bed and Breakfast Scheme of the Government of the NCT of Delhi. Government have also constituted a Task Force under the Ministry of Tourism for coordination and follow-up action for the creation of additional tourist accommodation and bed and breakfast facilities in the context of the Commonwealth Games, 2010. The transport system will also be suitably upgraded by providing additional modern low floor shuttle buses to link the airport, hotels, stadia and tourist spots and for park-and-ride facilities, arrangements for quality Radio Taxis, parking facilities around the stadia, renovation/development of Inter-State Bus Terminals and signages, etc.